

ASBURY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
New Testament Department

NT 650 New Testament Tutorial in Latin
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I. General Description: This course aims to ground students in elementary (Silver Age) Latin, by working through chapters 1-34 of Wheelock's Latin. [It is expected that most students will then be able to supplement these foundational skills in order to work in other forms of Latin as desired (Ecclesiastical Latin, the Vulgate, etc.), especially in anticipation of graduate studies.]

II. Course Objectives:

- A. Morphology: As a result of fulfilling class requirements, a student should be able to identify the *forms* of: Latin nouns in all five declensions; Latin verbs in all tenses, voices and moods in all four conjugations (including 3rd -io), most Latin pronouns, and most Latin adjectives.
- B. Grammar: As a result of fulfilling class requirements, a student should be able to recognize, translate and explain the primary *uses* of the Latin cases (nominative, vocative, genitive, dative, accusative, ablative); all tenses, voices, and moods of the Latin verb; the relationships exhibited by Latin adjectives, adverbs, and prepositions; and a number of miscellaneous Latin constructions included in chapters 1-34 of Wheelock's Latin.
- C. Vocabulary: As a result of fulfilling class requirements, a student will be able recognize and translate the Latin vocabulary in chapters 1-34 of in Wheelock's Latin

III. Course Text:

Wheelock, Frederick M. Wheelock's Latin. 6nd ed. New York: Harper Collins, 1999.

IV. Requirements:

- A. **Daily Exercises**: Students will complete translation assignments for homework each evening, and be prepared to give oral translation with explanation in class each morning.
- B. **Weekly Tests**: Students will receive a take-home test each Friday, and turn it back in on the following Monday morning. The four (4) tests will cover chapters 1-10, 11-18, 19-26, and 27-34 respectively in Wheelock's Latin.

V. Grading Plan:

- The final grade within this course will be calculated accordingly:
 - Daily Assignments: (oral performance in translation and explanation) **50%**
 - Weekly Tests: (four total) **50%**
- The numerical values of the tests will be converted into letter grades accordingly:
A:100-96; A-:95-91; B+:90-87; B:86-84; B-:83-81; C+:80-77; C:76-74; C-:73-71; D+:70-67;
D:66-64; D-:63-60; F:59-0

VI. Class Calendar:

- First Week: Wheelock chapters 1-10
- Second Week: Wheelock chapters 11-18

- Third Week: Wheelock chapters 19-26
- Fourth Week: Wheelock chapters 27-34